

Application No. 09/698,817  
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Applicant: Martin Theriault, et al.

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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING A  
DRY ATMOSPHERE IN A SURFACE MOUNT  
DEVICE PLACEMENT

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Examiner: Thiem D. Phan

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### AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 8, 2004, please amend the  
application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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